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IN THE SPECIFICATION:

Please amend the specification as follows:

Please replace the first paragraph of the specification beginning on page 1, line 7 with the following paragraph:

This application claims priority to U.S. Provisional Application serial number xx/yyy,yyy 60/367,378 arising from conversion of non-provisional U.S. Patent Application serial number 09/759,989, (entitled NANOPOROUS MEMBRANE REACTOR FOR MINIATURIZED REACTIONS AND ENHANCED REACTION KINETICS, and filed on January 12, 2001), to a provisional application by petition filed in the U.S. Patent and Trademark Office on January 4, 2002, the specification of which is herein incorporated by reference.